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Rule 53(b) Continuation of 08/947,895 (Q47032)

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Title: DISK PLAYER, AND TURNTABLE INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER, CLAMPER INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER AND SPINDLE MOTOR INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER ADOPTED FOR DISK PLAYER

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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

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Re: Application of **Jin-seung SOHN and Dae-sung RO**  
**DISK PLAYER, AND TURNTABLE INCORPORATING SELF-**  
**COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER, CLAMPER**  
**INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER**  
**AND SPINDLE MOTOR INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING**  
**DYNAMIC BALANCER ADOPTED FOR DISK PLAYER**  
Assignee: **SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO., LTD.**  
Our Ref: **Q73758**

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Dear Sir:

**JAN 08 2003**

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 08/947,895 (Confirmation No. 6409) filed October 9, 1997 of Jin-seung SOHN and Dae-sung RO entitled DISK PLAYER, AND TURNTABLE INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER, CLAMPER INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER AND SPINDLE MOTOR INCORPORATING SELF-COMPENSATING DYNAMIC BALANCER ADOPTED FOR DISK PLAYER, which claims benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/027,987 filed October 9, 1996, and Provisional Application No. 60/040,768 filed March 14, 1997.

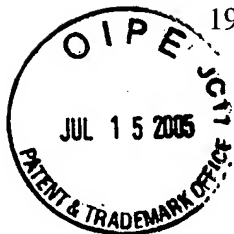
This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 21 sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration and Assignment documents as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 2653.

Amend the specification by inserting after the title of the invention but before the first line the following:

This is a continuation of Application No. 08/947,895 filed October 9, 1997, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference. Application No. 08/947,894 was filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a) claiming benefit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)(1) of the filing dates of

Provisional Application Nos. 60/027,987 and 60/040,768 filed on October 9, 1996 and March 14, 1997, respectively, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 111(b).



Benefit/Priority is claimed from:

<u>U.S. Provisional and Korean Patent Application</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
60/027,987	October 9, 1996
96-44932	October 9, 1996
97-503	January 10, 1997
60/040,768	March 14, 1997

The priority documents were filed in parent Application No. 08/947,895.

**Applicants respectfully request that the Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently herewith be considered before calculating the Government filing fee.**

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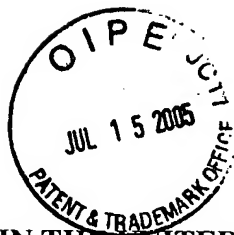
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A check for the statutory fee of \$750.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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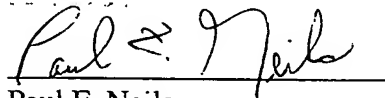
In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form which are all the references of record in parent application No. 08/947,895. Applicant is not submitting duplicate copies of these references but requests that they be listed on the face of any patent granted on the above application. (See 37 CFR §1.98(d)). Copies of any cited copending applications, if not previously submitted, are being submitted herewith.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not

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**U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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		Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)		
		US 5,130,870 ✓		07/92	JABBARI
		US 5,537,272 ✓		07/96	KAZMIERCZAK et al.
		US 3,410,154 ✓		11/12/1968	DEAKIN
		US 3,799,619 ✓		03/26/1974	LaBARBER
		US 3,854,347 ✓		12/17/1974	HELLERICH
		US 5,177,731 ✓		01/05/1993	Shinsaku TANAKA et al.

**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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		EP	0 829 872 ✓	A2	03/18/1998		
		WO	98/03974 ✓		01/29/1998		
		JP	62-24052 ✓		02/87		
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		JP	11-4558 ✓		01/99		
		EP	0 434 270 ✓	A2	06/26/1991		
		JP	2-139758 ✓		05/29/1990		
		JP	3-86968 ✓		04/11/1991		
		JP	10-83622 ✓		03/31/1998		
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		JP	58-133673 ✓		08/09/1983	NEC CORP	
		WO	93/23687 ✓		11/25/1993	Gary TAYLOR et al.	
		CN	1089700 ✓	A	07/20/1994		

**OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

Examiner Initials*	Cite No. <sup>1</sup>	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city, and/or country where published.	Translation <sup>6</sup>
		PATENT ABSTRACTS OF JAPAN, vol. 014, no. 376 (P-1092), 8/14/90 & JP 02 139758 A (CANON INC) 5/29/90 *abstract	
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